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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this response.

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